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The Government of India have learnt, with deep regret, of the death of Colonel Unni Nayar, one of India's alternate Delegates to the U.N. Commission in Korea. Colonel Nayar was killed by a mine explosion while out for observation.

Colonel Nayar's early promise in journalism reached distinction during the second world war in which he saw duty on many fronts. His work in reporting these campaigns was marked by vivid objectivity and great personal gallantry. He also served as Observer during the operations in Kashmir. In 1948, he was posted to Washington as Public Relations Officer of the Indian Embassy, in which capacity he did valuable work. On the outbreak of hostilities in Korea, he volunteered for service there and the Government of India selected him to serve as an alternate Delegate on the U.N. Korean Commission. His despatches from there proved invaluable to Government in forming an appreciation of the Korean situation. His early and tragic death is no less a loss to the Government of India than to his family, to whom Government extend their profound sympathy.

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